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AGNES BIDARD ET AL. : EXAMINER: BUDD, M. O.

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WAVE COMPONENT AND COLLECTIVE METHOD FOR

MAKING SAME

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2003.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-6 are pending in the present application. No claims have been added, amended, or cancelled by the present response.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1-6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Onishi et al ('142), Tsuji et al, or Onishi et al ('368) in view of Takoshima, which is respectfully traversed.